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## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

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### *Quarantine of Russian emigrants at certain European ports.*

The following information is received from the Department of State, under date of September 11:

On account of the appearance of cholera in Russia in the Government district of Samara, the following instruction has been sent by cable to the consul-general at London, England:

In view of outbreak cholera in Russia, emigrants from Russia should be detained under quarantine five days, their baggage disinfected, and paragraph thirty Quarantine Regulations enforced. Repeat Hamburg, Bremen, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Liverpool, Hull, Southampton, Glasgow, and other English ports embarkation.

The same instruction was sent to the consular officers at Trieste and Fiume, Austria-Hungary, and Libau, Russia.

### CURRENT QUARANTINE MEASURES.

[From the Veröffentlichungen des Kaiserlichen Gesundheitsamtes, Berlin, August 28, 1907.]

### *Infectious diseases.*

**TURKEY.**—August 10: Arrivals from Russian coast between Novorossysk and Sebastopol, including the city of that name, subject to medical inspection at the first Turkish port provided with sanitary officers. Medical inspection is required also for arrivals from Beirut.

### *Cholera.*

**BULGARIA.**—August 15: Only the ports of Varna and Burgas are open to arrivals from Russian ports.

Travelers from Russia allowed to enter Bulgaria only after medical inspection.

Importation of used clothing, rags, waste, unwashed laundry, used paper, and old newspapers from Russia disallowed.

**NORWAY.**—August 16: The Russian Government of Samara declared cholera infected. Vessels arriving at ports in Norway with cases of cholera on board are required to repair to the quarantine station of Odderen, near Christiansand.

**RUSSIA.**—August 19: The districts of Samara and Stavropol, the city of Astrachan, Archiereiski-Passelok, and Ataman-Stanitza declared infected with cholera.

*Plague.*

BRITISH INDIA.—July 24: Quarantine against arrivals from Bahrain suspended at the port of Orissa.

ITALY.—August 20: Quarantine against Brisbane and Port Douglas suspended.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—July 6 and 12: Ports of Tongkah, Hongkong, Saratow, and Amoy declared plague infected.

## AFRICA.

*Reports from Cape Colony—Plague at King Williams Town—Examination of rats and cats for plague infection.*

The following is received from the medical officer of the Colony under dates of August 5 and 12:

Week ended August 5, 1907. During the week an outbreak of disease was reported at Izeli location, 12 miles, and at Dubus location, 7 miles, from King Williams Town. Investigations proved the outbreak to have been plague, conveyed by an infected native who left King Williams Town on June 23 for Izeli location, where he died on July 5. From him 5 other natives at Izeli contracted the disease, all of whom died, on July 13, 20, 25, and 26, and August 2, respectively. One of these cases went to Dubus location and there infected a native, who was subsequently admitted into the Grey Hospital, King Williams Town, on July 30, and died on August 1.

Of the cases under treatment in the plague hospital at King Williams Town, 1 case was discharged cured during the week and 2 cases remain under treatment.

Eighty-eight rats (including 27 found dead), 16 mice (including 14 found dead), and 4 cats (found dead) were examined, of which 5 rats and 7 mice were found to be plague infected and 23 rats, 7 mice, and 4 cats to be probably plague infected.

Week ended August 12, 1907. During the week no cases of plague were discovered, either in King Williams Town, Izeli location, or Dubus location. One case was discharged cured from the plague hospital and 1 case still remains under isolation and treatment.

One hundred and twenty rats (including 29 found dead) and 50 mice (including 23 found dead) were examined, of which 2 rats and 17 mice were found to be plague infected and 26 rats and 4 mice to be probably plague infected.

## BRAZIL.

*Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Plague, smallpox, and yellow fever.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, August 19:

Week ended August 11. The following vessels were inspected and furnished with bills of health: August 5, the British steamship *Bellanoeh*, for New Orleans, La., with coffee, no passengers and no change in the personnel; August 4, the British steamship *Ethelwalda*, for Pensacola, Fla., in water ballast, no passengers and no change in the personnel, and August 10, the Portuguese bark *Parknook*, for Fernan-